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... master another craft. That's what these eight pros did with their side hustles.

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Kevin Bentley

Current Job: Houston Texans linebacker

Side Hustle: Snowboard instructor

The NFL pays him to knock people on their butts, but Bentley spends his off-season picking them up. "I'm on a slope eight hours a day helping people up from the snow for \$14 an hour," he says. "Plus tips." Bentley has spent every off-season since 2004 shredding in Vail, Colo. Last year he became a Cert-II level instructor, which allows him to teach intermediate tricks like spins and grabs. The training to get to that level? Minicamp hard. After two years of honing board skills, he had to tackle a three-day exam that included a written test and riding evaluations. Bentley, who's hit the slopes with teammates Kevin Walter and David Anderson, hopes to introduce more newcomers to the sport. "My goal is to open up people's minds about snowboarding," he says. "You just don't see minorities doing it as much." Nailing 360s is one way to reach out.

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